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I have known Hoofland's German Bitters favorably
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was induced to recommend them to many
others, and know that they have operated in a
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in this public pronouncement of this fact, and calling
the attention of those afflicted with the diseases for which
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from experience that your Hoofland's
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From Rev. W. D. Seigrist, Pastor of Twelfth
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distressing effects of indigestion, accompanied by
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them tested, but without relief. Your Hoofland's
German Bitters were recommended by persons who
had tried them, and whose favorable mention of these
Bitters induced me to try them. I must confess I
had an aversion to Patent Medicines from the
"thousand and one" quack "Bitters," whose only
aim seems to be to palm off sweetened and drugged
liquor upon the community in a way which is
tantamount to poisoning. I, however, in my
desperation, tried them, and to my surprise, found
that they were not only good for the stomach, but
restored the nervous system, was prompt and gratifying. I feel
that I have derived great and permanent benefit from
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From Rev. J. Newton Brown, D. D., Editor of the
Encyclopedia of Religious Knowledge and Christian
Chronicle, Philadelphia.

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ent Medicines in general, through distrust of their
ingredients and effects, I have known of no sufficient
reasons why a man may not testify to the benefits he
believes himself to have received from any simple
preparation, in the hope that he may thus contribute
to the benefit of others.

I do this more readily in regard to Hoofland's
German Bitters, prepared by Dr. G. M. Jackson, of
this city, because I was previously acquainted with
him for many years, under the impression that they were
chiefly an alcoholic mixture. I am indebted to my
friend, Robert Schoemaker, of this city, for a bottle of
this Bitter, and I am glad to say that I have found
this Bitter to be a most valuable tonic, to all who
are suffering from general debility, or from dis-
eases arising from disordered digestion.

Yours truly,
J. NEWTON BROWN, Philadelphia.

From the Rev. E. D. Fendall, Assistant Editor
Christian Chronicle, Philadelphia.

I have derived benefit from the use of
Hoofland's German Bitters, and feel my privilege
to recommend them as a most valuable tonic, to all
who are suffering from general debility, or from dis-
eases arising from disordered digestion.

Yours truly,
E. D. FENDALL.

From the Rev. Wm. Smith, Pastor of the Presbyterian
Church, Philadelphia.

From the many testimonials and recommendations given
to Dr. Hoofland's German Bitters, I was induced to
try them. After using several bottles I found
them to be a most valuable tonic, to all who are
suffering from general debility, and from dis-
eases arising from disordered digestion.

Yours truly,
W. SMITH, N. J. Baptist Church, Philadelphia.

Having used in my family a number of bottles of
your Hoofland's German Bitters, I have to say that I
regard them as an excellent medicine, especially
adapted to remove the diseases they are recom-
mended for. They strengthen and invigorate the system
when debilitated, and are useful in disorders of the
liver, loss of appetite, &c. I have also recom-
mended them to several of my friends, who have tried them,
and found them greatly beneficial in the restoration
of health. Yours, truly,
WM. SMITH.

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Dayton, Ohio,
Wednesday, December 27, 1865.

WASTED TIME.

Alone in the dark and silent night,
With the heavy thought of a vanished year,
When evil deeds come back to sight,
And good deeds rise with a welcome cheer;

Alone with the specters of the past,
That come with the old year's dying chime,
Their glooms of sadness dark and fast,
The shadow of Wasted Time.

The chances of happiness cast away,
The good opportunities never sought,
The great resolves that every day
Have died in the impotence of thought;

The slow advance and the backward slip
In the rugged path we have striven to climb;
How they furrow the brow and pale the lip,
When we talk with Wasted Time.

Wistful we now! what had we been,
Had we heeded time as the miser's gold,
Striving our meed to win,
Shrinking from naught that the world could do;

Fearing naught but the touch of crime;
Laboring, struggling, all seasons through,
And knowing no Wasted Time.

Who shall recall the vanished years?
Who shall hold back the flying tide,
And wash away all things beside?
Who shall give us strength when now,
We look back from error's path,
To stare at this old year's holiday rhyme,
And baffle with Wasted Time?

The years that pass come not again,
The things that die do not revive
But e'en from the dust of his creaking chain
Will golden truth be glimmering through;

That to him who learns from error's past,
And turns away with strength sublime,
And makes each year outside the last,
There is no Wasted Time.

Decline of the Churches.
At a recent Baptist Convention in New
Hampshire, it was stated that there were
to-day three thousand less Baptists in New
Hampshire than there were twenty years
ago. Why this is, is a denominational
problem that will doubtless be investi-
gated, and perhaps solved.—Journal.

The same general fact is probably true of
nearly all the religious denominations in
this State. It is one, however, which re-
quires no "investigation," for the "problem"
was long since "solved." The Democratic
party have been driven away from most of
the religious societies in the State; and so
far from feeling it to be a duty to encour-
age and sustain them, the deliberate and
enlightened conviction forbids them to do so.

It is unfortunate that such a state of affairs
exists. Democracy and Christianity are
natural allies. Both are conservative and
reformatory, aiming at "the greatest good
of the greatest number." They both incul-
cate the gospel of good will, fidelity and
charity and forbearance. They seek to
make their conquests by the power of love
and reason. For many years they labored
in harmony in this State; and if the reader
will recur to the time when the reputed
expounders of Christianity broke the alli-
ance, they will find that the social and moral
condition of our people was infinitely
better than it ever has been since. Demo-
crats have contributed their full share to
the numbers and support of the churches
of all denominations.

In an evil hour the clergy came down
from their high estate to dabble in politics.
Take three prominent questions: Fine
progress had been made for twenty years in
the temperance reform, as a purely moral ques-
tion. Still, too much liquor was used, and
the clergy appealed to the State to stop it.

Democrats did not believe the matter could
be improved by such action, and they op-
posed it. Then the clergy denounced them as
"rummies," and considerable alienation
grew out of this controversy. Well, the
clergy have had their way, and where one
gallon of rum was consumed then, fifty gal-
lons are consumed now. Again, the clergy
wanted to bring the power of the State to
bear against the Catholics. Democrats
could not favor such a policy, and they
were denounced again.

Well, has Catholicism been suppressed, or
is it increased by the very means used to
prevent it? So of slavery: Democrats never
asked more than good morality and genu-
ine Christianity enjoined upon every man—
fidelity to the Constitution and laws. But
the clergy joined heartily in the crusade
against slavery; and denounced every man
who would not. Well, they tell us slavery
is destroyed. Like enough. But what else
is destroyed? Two millions of lives, our
free institutions, the moral tone of society,
most of the property of the country, except
that in the hands of the stockholders, and
in the end, it will be seen, the millions
of blacks in whose behalf the war was waged.
For all these calamities the clergy are re-
sponsible.

The Democratic party was never wrong
in its fundamental theories, and the true
disciple clings to his faith with the tenacity
of a martyr: for he knows, if the country
is prosperous and happy, or the church
successful in its great mission, that these
results must flow from the practical opera-
tion of his theories. When the church in-
dulges in opposite theories and denounces all
who won't accept them, but to leave them
the solution of the "problem" to which
the Journal refers, Christianity and Dem-
ocracy are harmonious and eternal. They
will live and act together for the common
good long after the priests and politicians
of this generation have passed away. Pos-
terity must indeed be stupid if it can not
profit by the blunders and the crimes of its
progen